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SUBJECT: MIG-17'S CRASH IN MOGADISCIO

1. TWO MIG-17'S COLLIDED OVER MOGADISCIO ON JAN. 23 AT APPROXIMATELY 11:35 LOCAL AND FELL ON THE CITY BELOW. ONE AIRCRAFT CRASHED IN A RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL SECTION, WITH SOME LOSS OF LIFE, WHILE THE SECOND FELL IN A FIELD NEAR THE SOMALI MIL CAMP.

2. THE MIDAIR COLLISION TOOK PLACE DURING A SOMALI AIR FORCE SHOW OF STRENGTH FOLLOWING THE EXECUTION THE SAME MORNING OF TEN SOMALI SHEIKHS FOR ANTI-GOVERNMENT ACTIVITY. MILIARY AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY IN THE SKIES OVER MOGADISCIO BEGAN IN THE EARLY HOURS OF JAN. 23 AND CONTINUED ON THROUGH MID-DAY, WITH MIG-21 FIGHTERS TAKING PART AS WELL. LOCAL MOSLEMS INTERPRET ACCIDENT AS ALLAH'S JUDGMENT UPON GSDR AND SOMALIA FOR SLAYING OF SHEIKHS.

3. RADIO MOGADISCIO REPORTED ON EVENING OF JAN. 23 THAT CRASH IN RESIDENTIAL AREA RESULTED IN EIGHT DEAD AND 132 INJURED, 17 SERIOUSLY. TWO SOMALI PILOTS ALSO PERISHED.
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